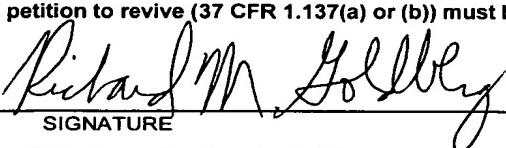


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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP2003/014610	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE November 17, 2003	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED November 19, 2002
TITLE OF INVENTION NOVEL FUNCTIONAL PEPTIDE NUCLEIC ACID AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THE SAME		
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It is respectfully requested that the above-identified PCT application be granted a filing date within the May 19, 2005 convention term (30 months), based on Japanese Application No. No. 2002-335738, filed November 19, 2002, and Application No. PCT/JP2003/014610, filed November 17, 2003.

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